SINGITA ANIMAL SANCTUARY AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL TEAM UP TO OFFER LOW COST SPAY/NEUTERS FOR DOGS AND CATS

Dog and Cat Spay and Neuters only \$10! Available Now!

Singita Animal Sanctuary, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, and Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control have joined forces to offer low cost spay/neuters and vaccinations for dogs and cats. Spay/neuter surgeries are available for **only \$10.00 per dog or cat**. In addition, low cost vaccines and microchip installations are also available.

Dog Vaccines:		Cat Vaccines:		AVID Microchip: \$20.00
Rabies	\$5.00	Rabies	\$5.00	(includes registration)
DHLPP 6 in 1	\$5.00	FVRCP 4 in 1	\$5.00	
Bordetella	\$10.00	Fe-LV	\$10.00	

This program is funded primarily by a grant awarded from California Community Foundation's Pets and Partners Initiative.

"Through the Singita/Los Angeles County Animal Care and Control Spay-Neuter Program, we are encouraging and teaching responsible pet ownership," said Sherry Hackett, Singita Co-Founder and President. "Spaying and neutering prevents generations of suffering and euthanasia."

The **Downey spay/neuter clinic** is open the first Saturday and Sunday per month at the Downey Animal Shelter located at: 11258 S. Garfield Avenue in Downey . The **Lancaster spay/neuter clinic** is open the second Saturday and Sunday of the month at the Lancaster Animal Shelter located at: 5210 West Avenue "I" in Lancaster. Clients are taken by **APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Capacity is limited to 30 surgeries per clinic day. There is a maximum of 3 pets per household, per day. Dogs <u>must</u> be restrained on an appropriate collar/leash. Cats <u>must</u> be contained each in their own carrier or box. Some pets may be turned away due to possible health problems or potential risks i.e. inappropriate age, etc. Qualifying for surgery is at the sole discretion of Singita Representatives, with your animals' utmost safety in mind. If your pet has eaten food after 8pm the night before the clinic, we cannot spay or neuter them that day as it is a major health hazard that could result in death.

"Spaying and neutering pets is a critical component to controlling the number of unwanted animals that come into County Animal Shelters each year" said Marcia Mayeda, Director of Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control. "This innovative partnership gives pet owners the opportunity to have their pets spayed or neutered, vaccinated, and microchipped at a low-cost by utilizing grant funding, non-profit resources and existing County facilities that are not open on weekends."

Our goal is to spay and neuter more than **3,250** dogs and cats within the first three years of this program. Singita is committed to helping reduce pet over-population through sterilization efforts.

Educating children and youth about responsible pet care and teaching the importance of spaying and neutering animals are key components of the program. These presentations are conducted by animal care and educational professionals.

If you would like more information about low cost spay/neuter services offered in the Downey area, please call (562) 388-1135. In Lancaster, please call (661) 362-0224. <u>Click here</u> to visit the Singita spay neuter web page at http://www.singita.org/site/PageServer?pagename=spayneuter For more information about Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control, please visit http://www.animalcontrol.co.la.ca.us.